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## News Briefs

### Church sponsoring spaghetti dinner

The Good Shepherd Church of God, located at 1800 Bacom Point Road, Pahokee, will have a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, Jan. 20. Serving will begin at 11 a.m. and continue through 2 p.m.

Dinners may be eaten at the church or taken out or they can be delivered for orders of five or more. Dinner includes spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread and dessert.

Further information can be obtained by calling the church office at 924-7284.

### Business Counseling

The Small Business Development Center will offer free business counseling at the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Jan. 24.

Trade Specialist John Diep will be available for appointments from 10 a.m. to noon. Mr. Diep is a multi-lingual Certified Business Analyst with graduate degrees in Marketing Management and International Business from the Baruch Graduate School of Business in New York City. His specialties are business development, marketing and international trade.

Any business person who would like to make an appointment for free counseling should call the chamber at 996-2745.

### GED testing offered

The General Education Diploma test will be given at Glades Central Community High School on Jan. 23, 24 and 25 at 6 p.m. Adults should register for the test before 5 p.m. on Jan. 22. There is a fee for taking the test. Call 993-4404 for more information.

### Need help starting your business?

Anyone considering starting their own business and who would like to learn more about how to get it going is invited to register for Steps to Starting a Small Business in South Florida. A class is being offered at the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, Jan. 24, from 2 to 4 p.m. for a small fee. Participants will learn about forms of business ownership, licensing and regulations, financing, marketing, insurance and other issues.

To register, call the chamber at 996-2745.

### Free clinic

First American Home Care will be scheduling free blood pressure clinics in the area this month.

The first clinic will be at Glades Diamond, Belle Glade on Jan. 23, from 10 a.m. to noon and at the Palm Beach County Senior Services Center Jan. 24 from 10 a.m. to noon.

All the dates and times may change without notice due to inclement weather, emergency situations, etc.

## Sugar industry official believes Farm Bill will be extended for one more year

By Brenda Bunting

If sugar farmers are put out of business, who's going to pay for Everglades restoration?

That question was asked by Barbara Miedema, spokesperson for the Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative at a Jan. 5 meeting of WIFE (Women Involved in Farm Economics).

"We are involved in a Farm Bill debate that is as heated as any battle any one of us can remember," she told WIFE members. "The industrial users of sugar have teamed up with the radical environmental movement. They have chosen to fight their battle in the media rather than address the issues head-on based on their merits."

Currently, sugar legislation is stalled in Washington along with the Budget Reconciliation Package and Mrs. Miedema said she believes the Farm Bill will be extended one more year.

"The proposed sugar title in the Budget Reconciliation Package represents a drastic scale back of government involvement in the domestic sugar market, an effective reduction in the U.S. sugar loan rate, and lower returns and greatly increased financial risk to the U.S. sugar farmers," said Mrs. Miedema.

(See Farm Bill, on page 5)

## Belle Glade Elementary students happy to settle into new school

By Biffie Chapman  
Staff Writer

The students, faculty and staff of the new Belle Glade Elementary are happy to be settled into their new school.

The move was made on Jan. 2, although on Jan. 15, the school had a memorable walk-out with a parade, banners, signs and some very excited students and faculty.

During Christmas vacation, most students were glad to have some time off, although most of the teachers and administrators at Belle Glade Elementary busily worked through their vacation to establish classroom preparations for the returning students.

"The teachers and students have been waiting a long time for this school," said Assistant Principal Jeanette Dexter.

The new school is complete with new furniture, new equipment, new office supplies, a computer in each classroom for the teacher and also four computers in each classroom for the students, a complete TV studio for in-house announcements, and also a newly added family resource room for students

and families of students.

Parents were amazed by the school being so big. "The school is 1/4 of a mile from the office around the school and back to the office," said Mrs. Dexter.

President of the Parent/Teacher organization, Mae Campbell, says the PTA is very active.

"The new school hasn't caused any transportation problems, although some of the students are having to walk a couple of extra blocks past the old school to the new school," said Mrs. Dexter. "The Belle Glade Police Department have been extremely helpful. They have supplied crossing guards for the morning and afternoon every day to ensure the safety of our students," Dexter added.

The school doesn't have very many bus students considering the fact that the school has an enrollment of approximately 800 students. "It is the biggest elementary school in Belle Glade and every classroom is full," said Mrs. Dexter.

(See B.G.Elem., on page 5)



In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day... the City of Belle Glade, South Bay and also Pahokee held parades Monday, Jan. 15. See photos inside, on page 8. Pictured above are the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority who marched in the Belle Glade/South Bay Parade.

## Red Cross assists fire victim

The American Red Cross, Glades Chapter was called on Saturday, Jan. 13 to assist Aaron Ford, 78, of 537 S.W. Avenue C, Apt. 17, Belle Glade after a fire destroyed his apartment.

Mr. Ford received temporary

shelter, and vouchers for food and clothing from the local Red Cross office.

Additional assistance such as a bed, linens and other necessary items will be provided when Mr. Ford has relocated, according to Scottie Smith,

director of the local office.

The American Red Cross responds to single family fires throughout the county whenever they occur. All Red Cross disaster assistance is free and made possible by donation to the local chapters.

## Bell South customers ripped off by payment collector

By Brenda Bunting  
Editor

A 72-year-old working widow has been cheated out of the money she paid to a local business allegedly taking payments for Bell South customers.

Jesusa Cabarera of Belle Glade said she had her daughter make a \$36.78 Bell South payment at FIBA in the Glades Plaza a few weeks ago. She then got a bill from Bell South saying she must repay that amount.

Bell South says they never authorized FIBA to collect payments and weren't responsible for the customer ripoff, according to Sgt. Amy Allen with the Belle Glade Police Department. The department is collecting complaints from residents who

have similar stories and Sgt. Allen said she has received several complaints.

"Mom works to support herself and she can't afford to pay twice," said her daughter, Janie Figueroa. She said she was told by Bell South that FIBA was never authorized to collect telephone bill payments, although the company has been the collection site for Florida Power and Light payments for over a year.

The business is now closed and the telephone number is disconnected. Sgt. Allen said the business owner is listed as a Dr. Godfrey Ilonzo of West Palm Beach. FIBA stopped collecting FP & L payments in October and closed their doors a few weeks ago. They also

have several other offices in the state.

"We're working with the state attorney's office to try to figure out how to proceed on this," said Sgt. Allen. Sgt. Allen talked to a representative with Bell South who told her they are not responsible for those customers who paid their bill at FIBA. They use the example that if you had given your neighbor the money to pay for your telephone bill and they didn't pay it.

Sgt. Allen said the Belle Glade Police Department would like to hear from anyone else who was defrauded by FIBA.

Call 996-7251 if you have a similar complaint.

## Pioneer Park held dedication January 11

By Biffie Chapman  
Staff Writer

After five months of being in the newly built Pioneer Park Elementary, the school held an impressive dedication ceremony and ribbon-cutting Jan. 11 beginning at 10:30 a.m.

At the entrance of the building, guests were greeted by Pioneer Park-Safety Patrol members with "Good morning, welcome to Pioneer Park Elementary".

Members of community businesses, parents, school board members, the area superintendents, and city officials joined the ceremony to show their support.

(See Pioneer Park, on page 5)



A long-awaited Pioneer Park dedication... was held Jan. 11 at the new Pioneer Park. Pictured above from left to right are Parent Advocate Edna Stephens, Palm Beach County School District Superintendent Dr. Bernard H. Shulman, Area 4 Superintendent Eugenia Jones, Palm Beach County School Chairperson Dr. Sandra Richmond, Pioneer Park Principal Anne Turner and teacher Sandy Cook.

SUNPHOTO by Biffie Chapman



A gift of life for children... The South Bay Police Department gave away 15 child restraint seats, Tuesday, Jan. 16. Pictured above (front, in car seat) is Rafael David Diaz, (second row, left to right) Nereyda Escandon, Maria Grana, Jose Rivera, Stephanie Rivera, Jose Almazan, Patrice Lazoya, and Ricardo Lazoya, (third row, left to right) Parent Educator for the HIPPIY program at Rosenwald - Olga Ledesma, Paula Soriano, (fourth row, left to right) Parent Educator - Mary Johnson, HIPPIY Coordinator - Lorrie Moore, Chief Charlie Napier, and Officer Robert Drake.

SUNPHOTO by Buffie Chapman

## South Bay Police Department honors National Safe Kids Campaign

"Most people don't realize that it is a \$150 fine for children under four years of age or under 40 pounds to be in a motor vehicle without a proper child restraint device," said Officer Robert Drake.

On Tuesday, Jan. 16, the South Bay Police Department honored the children of South Bay by giving away 15 child restraint seats in an effort to keep them safe while riding in motor vehicles.

Officer Robert Drake and South Bay Police Chief Charlie Napier have been working together on projects such as bicycle safety, abuse prevention, and motor vehicle safety to improve the lives of children.

"The goal is to make South Bay as child-safe as possible," said Officer Drake. Upcoming projects include fingerprinting for every child in South Bay under 12 years of age, and teaching children "Stranger Danger" techniques.

niques.

Officer Robert Drake has been with the South Bay Police Department for approximately one year. He is a community-oriented police officer who during this time has become the Town/School Resource Officer in conjunction with Rosenwald Elementary.

The National Safe Kids Campaign and the International Association of Chiefs of Police received monies through a lawsuit settlement that was in turn put into block grants for the state. Some of this money was used to sponsor child restraint seats. Palm Beach County received approximately 100 child seats through the Florida Highway Patrol and then 15 of

those seats were passed to South Bay Police Department where they were responsible for targeting low-income families in the South Bay Community.

In order to receive a FREE child restraint seat, the parents or guardian has to sit through a 15 minute video which shows the correct way to use the device and what happens if used incorrectly.

The class takes approximately 90 minutes in all and after the presentation, the car seat is the parent's to keep.

"For 30 minutes of the parents time, they are receiving a free car seat and also ensuring the safety of their children," said Officer Drake.

"I would like to thank the Florida Highway Patrol for helping us receive the child safety seats," added Police Chief Napier.

"The City of South Bay will receive more seats during the month," concluded Officer Drake.

## Healthfirst

By Paula Swaford

### Fuel for the furnace

All we have heard lately via newspaper articles, magazine stories, billboards, advertisement on TV, etc. is how to eat properly. Cut the fat! Reduce the cholesterol! Exercises for people who hate to work out! I don't know about you, but if I stopped to calculate every gram of fat, or every calorie of sugar I put in my mouth at every meal, I would be too tired to eat. (Maybe that's what I should try). But a more sensible approach to weight loss could be education, and moderation.

I had a diabetic patient recently whose blood sugars were well controlled, in the 100 to 116 range. One day her fasting blood sugar was a whopping 194! When questioned, she could not think of one thing she had eaten that could've raised it up that high. She had eaten a Weight Watcher frozen dinner for supper and a fresh pear for an evening snack. That would not have been the culprit. For lunch, however, she had gone to one of the local fast-food restaurants and eaten a chicken sandwich and an order of french fries. Well, well, well. Can you guess how many calories she consumed with that "little lunch"? The chicken sandwich was 688 calories PLUS 5 fats and 4 starches. The french fries



contributed 227 calories PLUS 2 fats. If my math is correct, that lunch cost her 915 calories. Her TOTAL calorie intake for the day is limited to 1500 calories. For her to remain within the dietary limit, she would've had to limit breakfast and supper not to exceed 585 calories. She might just have to "smell" the food, at the rate she's going.

One of the things she can do to save calories is "hold the mayo". Mayonnaise has 90 calories in 2 teaspoons and carries 10 grams of fat. Many of the major restaurant chains have "healthy" sections on their menus. Still one must be cautious. According to a "Nutrition Action Health Letter Restaurant Study" done in December 1995, the "healthy" or "lite" items are often fattier than the menus claim. The sodium levels on some of the items were astronomical to say the least.

"Chili's" Guiltless Fajitas, for instance, has 960 calories and over 3 grams of sodium (3,190mg). We all know how sodium causes us to retain water in our bodies, so be forewarned.

Many of us have had to "battle the bulge" all of our lives. It's not fair that food tastes so good. I mean, if it tasted like wet sawdust or raw oysters then I wouldn't even be tempted, to partake of anything. One of the recommendations to help increase your body's metabolism to burn the calories you consume while eating, is to eat breakfast. I used to think that if I skipped that first meal of the day it would help me lose weight and reduce my total calorie intake. That was a mistake. While you are asleep, your metabolism usually slows down, burning calories at a reduced rate. It's not until you get up in the morning and eat something that your "furnace" perks up. Going without a morning meal keeps your body's furnace (metabolism) cold longer, so you ultimately burn fewer calories. A healthy breakfast actually gives you the energy to perform at your peak all day long. So, give it a try and see how you feel. It may really make a difference.

Until, next time... stay informed and stay healthy.



By Mike Lyons

Most year-round residents of our area look forward to the cooler-weather of winter. Our infamous summers are long, hot and very sweaty. Most of us count the days until that first cold front of the season rolls into town with its brisk winds and crisp air.

Not me. I love our summers. Call me crazy but I'm a big fan of Florida's heat and humidity.

Maybe it's those two frigid winters I spent in northern Wisconsin or maybe it was growing up in Ohio-home to winters of cold temperatures and seemingly endless days of gray skies. Whatever the reason-I like it hot. Besides, summer has our most interesting meteorological patterns-big thunderstorms and the occasional hurricane.

Still, even I need a break from our heat occasionally. Last August my family traveled up north to the gorgeous Adirondack Mountains of New York State. The weather was warm and comfortable-the view was breathtaking.

This year everyone was talking about the big storm that hit the mountains in mid-July. A storm so powerful and so enormous that it blew-down over one million

## We have enough bad weather, we don't need a derecho

trees. Winds at Watertown, NY gusted to 106 mph and meteorologists recorded 3,000 cloud-to-ground lightning strikes in one hour.

Obviously, this was no ordinary thunderstorm. Severe windstorms that big and that destructive have a special name-they are called derechos. Pronounced RAY-cho, the word itself is Spanish "meaning" straight ahead" It was coined by Gustavus Hinrichs, the director of the Iowa Weather Service, back in 1889. A derecho produces wild winds, intense lightning and heavy rains-just like a severe thunderstorm or a tornado. Yet, unlike its weather cousins, a derecho is an immense storm affecting a much larger area. The thunderstorm must spread damage across an area at least 280 miles long to qualify as a derecho.

Surprisingly, derechos are fairly "common" in the Midwest. Researchers counted 70 of the most powerful windstorms during one four year period in the 1980's. They occur most frequently in the late spring or early summer.

On June 19, 1990, a derecho hit the Wichita, Kansas area. Strong winds, gusting as high as 116 mph, produced over \$50 million dollars in damage in Wichita. Trees were knocked down, small buildings were destroyed and

over one-thousand power poles were toppled.

Recent studies reveal derechos develop when the air is very warm and very humid. When the derecho hit upstate New York this summer the dew point was in the lower 80's-an amazing figure for the Adirondacks. A typical summer night in that area produces a dew point in the low 60's. (The dew point measures the amount of moisture in the atmosphere.)

A second factor in derecho development is very strong winds in the middle atmosphere. In the New York derecho, 90 mph winds, originating at twenty-thousand feet, raced down to the ground producing the straight line winds that knocked over thousands of trees.

While derechos are fairly common in the Midwest, they are very rare in Florida. While we certainly got the heat and humidity necessary to create a derecho, strong winds in the middle atmosphere are uncommon during the spring and summer months.

That's OK-we can do without derechos. After all, Florida experiences most thunderstorms, more lightning and more hurricanes than any other state. The last thing we need is another severe storm.

Mike Lyons is the weatherman for WPBF, Channel 25.

## "Proud to be a Parent" night, Jan. 18 at Rosenwald

"Proud to be a Parent" night will be held on Thursday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. in Rosenwald Elementary's school cafeteria. The speaker for the evening will be Detective Raul Silos, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department. His topic will be: "The Male Role Model and the Impact on Children."

Rosenwald will be having a tea-shirt ceremony for four year old children who have completed Wre 10 HIPPIY activities.

Rosenwald will be having a pot luck dinner with HIPPIY families bringing in their favorite dish which they will share with "the family" and HIPPIY children whose birthdays are this month will be honored.

Parents, it is mandatory that you attend each monthly HIPPIY meeting with your HIPPIY child. Thank you for your support.

## OLD GLADES CENTRAL FACILITIES UP FOR LEASE

The Old Glades Central High School is available for leasing immediately. Tours of the facility are scheduled during the following hours.

Tuesday, January 23, 1996  
2:00 p.m. & 4:30 p.m.

Please meet school officials at the old school gymnasium. All groups and businesses are welcome to tour the facilities and make applications for lease.

For More Information Call: 996-4900

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**Belle Glade Police Department's arrest blotter January 1-7**

The Belle Glade Police Department investigated 576 complaints the week of January 8-14 and handled 16 crime scenes. Those arrested included:

January 8 - Carolyn Lee, 24, burglary and petty theft.

January 9 - Ralph Manning, 35, domestic battery; Andre Joseph, 38, domestic battery; Johnnie Simmons, 26, opposing and obstructing; Mary Jean Royal, 45, felony retail theft.

January 10 - Jernae Shannon, 19, aggravated battery; Juan Rodriguez, 36, stalking; Jimmy Mills, 24, burglary and petty theft.

petty theft.

January 11 - James Holden, 50, domestic battery; Nina Tankes, 26, domestic battery.

January 12 - Gary Jackson, 26, domestic battery; Edward Robert, 50, retail theft.

January 13 - Francisco Marfil, 27, burglary, grand theft; Louis Desmore, 24, aggravated domestic assault.

January 14 - Sydney McKelton, 25, retail theft; Kenny Rumph, 31, felony retail

theft and carrying a concealed weapon; Linda Kellman, 34, contempt of court; Deborah Harris, 49, domestic battery; Joseph Grice, 43, domestic battery; Juvenile, 16, domestic battery; Inez Fierro, 47, failure to appear, no driver's license and unlawful alteration of a tag. The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

throwing a deadly missile; Barbara Cornelius, 33, Pahokee, warrant for custody interference.

January 13 - No arrests made.

**Pahokee Police Department Arrest Blotter Jan. 7-13**

The Pahokee Police Department made five arrests the week of Jan. 8 through Jan. 13. Those arrested included:

January 7 - Esteban Vargas, 22, West Palm Beach, warrant for contempt of court.

January 8 - Jean Battle, 31, Pahokee, warrant for failure to appear in court.

January 9-11 - No arrests made.

January 12 - Gus Butler, 34, Pahokee,

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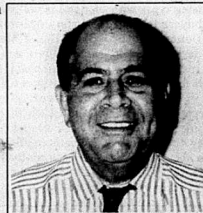
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## Send a birthday card!

It would be so great if everyone could send a birthday card to Mr. Rowe B. Myers at 98 N.E. 4th Street, Belle Glade. On January 26, he will be 100 years old. He's a fine gentleman and one of the oldest living World War I Veterans in our area.

Many thanks."

## RV park a waste of taxpayer's money

"Reading in the *Palm Beach Post* this morning about the RV Park in South Bay. People tried to tell them that park would never make money in South Bay.

They spent all the taxpayer's money to build that thing, but heck, it's just taxpayer's money! Why not build it? You scratch my back and I'll scratch your back...that's all the politicians think about. They don't think about spending taxpayer's money.

So, when election time comes around they need to remember this and get rid of the politicians who want to spend the taxpayer's money like this."

South Bay City Manager Lester Baird

responds: "We disagree with the caller. The South Bay RV Park has just opened and is expected to take awhile to get established. We look at the RV Park as an economic investment that will prove to be profitable to the county and spawn new businesses and jobs in the city. South Bay is cooperating with Pahokee and Belle Glade in numerous efforts to enhance tourism to the Glades area which will provide much needed jobs and economic development.

I know of few businesses that begin operation with the expectation that they will be profitable within a six month period of time. I believe that a year or so down the line, we will find that this was a good investment for the county to make.

Please keep in mind that the South Bay RV Park is the only project funded by the 1986, \$30 million county bond issue that will generate revenue. All other projects built provide no revenue and only long term maintenance costs, to the best of my knowledge.

Please don't bury the RV Park before it's given a fair amount of time to be beneficial and profitable to the Glades!"



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Dual Language/International Program (Elementary School)

Humanities - language arts, social studies, foreign languages; daily instruction in target language; content area classes in English; students bilingual by second grade.

Communications/Technology/Language Arts (Elementary School)

Community Arts (video production, creative writing)

Montessori (Elementary School)

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John Hopkins WorldLab (Elementary, Middle School)

Liberal Arts (language arts, match, science, social studies, foreign languages); Partial language immersion; Emphasis on study of cultures; Strategies to combat racism and prejudice.

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## January is Volunteer Blood Donor Month

By John F. Eades  
Donor Recruitment Coordinator  
Palm Beach Blood Bank

In the old files at the Palm Beach Blood Bank I found several old newspaper advertisements proclaiming the month of January as "Volunteer Blood Donor Month." Being new to the blood bank business, I promptly alerted the local media and sent them copies of the ads.

There seems to be special months for a lot of things. I believe February is "National Pickle Month." Most of these special months are usually the brain child of some advertising types who dream up more ways to entice buyers to their wares. But "Volunteer Blood Donor Month" sounded a bit more legitimate. So I decided to investigate to find out where the idea came from to set aside a whole month for volunteer blood donors.

After a week of making discrete inquiries among my co-workers, including just about everyone from my supervisor to the maintenance man, I have several ideas about the origins of "Volunteer Blood Donor Month" (VBDM). One theory is that VBDM is a fairly recent

creation (in the past 20 years or so) of the American Association of Blood Banks. Another idea suggests that VBDM has a much longer history with its glorious past stretching back to before the First World War.

Someone even suggested looking into the Congressional Record to see if the federal government had actually declared January as VBDM! With these contributions to my inquiry about the origins of "Volunteer Blood Donor Month," I have decided that what I really need is a nice big research grant so I can really find out what VBDM is really all about!

In my opinion, every month is Volunteer Blood Donor Month. The need for blood never ends. There are always patients who need it. Donating blood is one of those true acts of altruism that gives the priceless gift of life to someone else. Every day, every minute we at the Palm Beach Blood Bank recognize and appreciate the blood donors in this community.

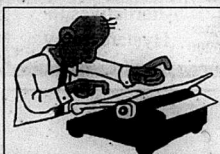
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## ARC golf tournament labeled "the most successful yet"

"Golfing The Glades '96", the Glades Area Association for Retarded Citizens' annual fund-raising golf tournament, was the most successful yet, according to Scott Kamel, executive director.

"Success to us is measured by a great turnout, happy golfers, and dollars raised for ARC program," he said. "Ninety-one golfers played, our best ever. The response after the event was very positive, and the dollar support exceeded our goal of 10 percent better than last year," he added.

This year's winners were the foursome of Don and Carole Besman and Richard Browning, Sr. and Richie Browning, Jr. The tournament ended in a playoff with Earl Wingate, David Stanford, Marion McMullen and Dan Manus. A clutch approach shot by 12-year-old Richie Browning helped bring the trophy home to the Besman team.

Rounding out the winners were the team of Jack Rice, Bob Haugstad, Dick Brandt, and Ken Zimmer in third, and Dave Webb, Ken Webb, Mike

Frazier, and Ken Hale in fourth.

Board President Dr. Don Fiehs, Tournament Chair Tommy Cone, and Ways and Means Chair Linda Cone all expressed their appreciation to the golfers for their tremendous support on a chilly January morning, to the sponsors of the tournament for their financial support of the Glades Area ARC, and to their own board members for their show of force and effort to make "Golfing The Glades '96" a success.

## Farm Bill extended for one year -

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"Sugar farmers have had to be ever more efficient to stay solvent, Mrs. Miedema told WFS members, "but later costs, regulations, equipment, all of these things have gone up. And now they want to tax us even more than we're already paying to buy others land and then take it out of production."

A 2-cent-a-pound tax on sugar has been proposed by U.S. Rep. Peter Deutch, D-Lauderdale, Richard Lugar, R-Indiana, chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, and Rep. E. Clay Shaw, R-Florida.

The proposed tax would raise \$350 million over five years to buy 130,000 acres in the southern Everglades Agricultural Area to be used as a water storage area.

But support for the tax appears to be losing favor with voters who said in a recent poll that "sugar farmers are already doing more than their fair share by paying \$300 million to restore the Everglades and the government needs to worry more about fighting crime and improving schools."

Farmers have implemented a series of on-farm Best Management Practices designed to reduce phosphorus in runoff water. The South Florida Water Management District's goal for on-farm phosphorus reduction was set at 25 percent, "but in fact," said Mrs. Miedema, "after the first two years of implementing BMPs, water quality monitoring data show that farmers have been able to achieve a 40 percent phosphorus reduction."

"Let me take a minute to talk about this proposed two cent tax," said Mrs. Miedema.

"The Committee to Ensure Florida's Economic and Environmental Future proposes taxing only Florida sugar producers to raise \$75 million to purchase productive farmland and turn it into a marsh. That alone would put Florida producers at a distinct competitive disadvantage with the rest of the domestic sugar industry...that is if we could stay in business. Based on cost of production data from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and current prices, a two-cent tax leaves sugar producers with a negative margin of 1.15 cents per pound. That means the loss of many thousands of jobs in South Florida with Palm Beach County hardest hit."

"Now, let's look at the scientific needs of the Everglades. What really will be achieved by acquiring this 131,000 acres property? We asked former Deputy Executive Director of the South Florida Water Management District Tom MacVicar his opinion. These are the questions posed and his answers."

Would water quality be improved? No. The Stormwater Treatment Areas, now being constructed will do as much as possible with wetland treatment technology. According to Dr. Robert Kadlec, the federal government's chief consultant on constructed wetlands, reducing phosphorus levels below 50 parts-per-billion utilizing artificial marshes or flow ways is virtually impossible.

Would the flow ways increase water supply? Definitely not. Wetland flow ways are huge users of water, especially during dry periods. A flow way in the EAA would

not only be a new water demand on Lake Okeechobee, but it would also withhold large quantities of water that now flow to the Everglades. Droughts would be more frequent and more severe, as would water shortages for people and business.

Would the flow ways promote Everglades sheet flow? No. Due to location and land elevation constraints, water would have to be pumped into the flow way to transfer water from the flow way to the Everglades, would also require pumps and distribution canals, which would be very costly.

"How would the state of Florida and its governmental agencies handle the thousands of displaced workers, the devastation to the Glades communities and make up for the loss of tax revenue generated by Florida sugar producers which is used for everything from schools to prisons to the restoration of the Everglades?" asked Mrs. Miedema.

Even the most liberal members of the press and the Florida Audubon Society recognize that sugarcane is the best use of land in the Everglades Agricultural Area. Sugarcane is the most environmentally friendly crop that can be grown in the EAA, using less agricultural chemicals than other crops and even requires less water than native sawgrass. Furthermore, agriculture as a whole is a preferable land use in the EAA compared to urban development."



The paintings of Olga Pichardo are on display at the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce during the month of January. Olga, a member of the Glades Art Group, has been painting under tutor Ann Tyler for six years.

## Belle Glade Elementary -

From page 1

Assistant Principal Dexter's wish list for the school would be to have smaller class sizes in order for each student to reach their maximum potential; also there are four computers in each classroom for the students and she would love to have more. "We are in the technological age and the younger the students are when they start using computers, the better off they will be in the coming future," said Mrs. Dexter. The school also needs playground equipment, but otherwise the school has everything it needs.

With a new school there are always new rules, but with Belle Glade Elementary all the rules were already in place although the school is trying to instill a sense of pride in the students to keep the school clean and be proud of what they have been given.

"There are bathrooms in each classroom to keep the movement in the halls down and eliminates the chance of having fights in the hallway," added Mrs. Dexter.

Other attributes to the school and a bonus for students is the cafeteria, which is also equipped with an indoor and outdoor stage and the school

now has their very own state-of-the-art kitchen.

"The stage has an opening from the outside so that students may sit outside for an outdoor performance or sit inside the cafeteria for an indoor performance," said Mrs. Dexter.

The school also has a large courtyard and in the future, Mrs. Dexter would like to see tables placed there so students could sit outside to eat, have parties, etc. but there are no funds available for this at the present time.

Belle Glade Elementary would like to invite people in

the community to come see the new school.

Assistant Principal Juanita Malone has been working at Pioneer Park for 34 years and she said, "After 34 years, this is my first time in a new school, and words cannot describe how fantastic it is to have this wonderful facility."

Principal Glenda Garrett said, "We are a new school with a new attitude. As we soar to new heights, we would like to honor and thank the community, and especially the parents that helped to make the dream a reality."



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The week of March 25 through March 29, 1996, has been designated as Juvenile Justice Week. Throughout this week, the Department of Juvenile Justice will work to bring a heightened awareness to programs that work with youths at-risk of getting involved in the juvenile justice system.

As part of this awareness campaign, the second annual Governor's Community Investment Awards will be presented to leaders in the business community who have initiated or become involved in delinquency prevention and intervention programs. These awards are sponsored by the governor, Business Partners for Prevention, and the Department of Juvenile Justice.

If you know of a business involved with juvenile delinquency prevention or intervention and would like to nominate it for an award, please contact Carolyn Freeman with the Department of Juvenile Justice at 904-921-5900 to receive a nomination form. All forms must be completed and returned by Feb. 15, 1996, to be considered eligible for an

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## Obituaries

### Brown

Clara Mae Slaughter Brown, 69, was born May 28, 1926 in Surrency, Ga. to Clarence and Linder Porter and died Jan. 6, 1996 at Palms West Hospital, West Palm Beach. She was a member of the House of God Church under the leadership of Elder J.O. Lovett.

Surviving are husband, Bernard Brown; one sister, Thelma McDonald of Belle Glade; one aunt, Mable Hutchinson of Cincinnati, Ohio; four sons - Robert Slaughter of South Bay, Raymond and Isaiah Slaughter of Belle Glade, and Lloyd Cunningham of Pahokee; one daughter, Olivia Butts of Belle Glade; three daughters-in-law - Evelyn Slaughter of South Bay, Mary A. Slaughter and Jennie Slaughter of Belle Glade; sixteen grandchildren; twenty-two great grandchildren; one Godson, Rudolph Collett; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996 at 1 p.m. in the St. Paul Church of God in Christ, Belle Glade, with Rev. Elder Clarence Brown, Pastor, officiating.

Miller Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

### McKenzie

James Franklin McKenzie, 98, was born Jan. 9, 1897 to Rev. and Mrs. David Daniel McKenzie and died Friday, Jan. 6, 1996.

Preceding him in death were his late wife, Emily Watson and their sons James, Jr., and John.

Surviving are wife, Lettie McKenzie; six daughters - Mildred Haywood, Aldranna Arberzawa Talley, Mary Elizabeth Massey, Winnifred Tibert, Juanita Givens and Mattie Erwin; one son, James William McKenzie; three sons-in-law - James Talley, Hoover Tibert, and Tommy Givens; two daughters-in-law

- Corine McKenzie and Janie Lowe; twenty-nine grandchildren; thirty-five great grandchildren; and many other nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996 at 1 p.m. in the Mount Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church, Belle Glade, with Rev. Kenneth Anderson officiating and Rev. Isaac S. Jones, Pastor.

Miller Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

### Summers

Cynthia Gibson Summers, 26, was born on Aug. 3, 1970 to Sallie Snell and Morris Gibbons and died Jan. 5, 1996 in Everglades Memorial Hospital.

Preceding her in death was her brother, Joe Walter Edwards.

Surviving are: husband, Larry Summers of Belle Glade; two daughters - Cornelia Lanette McPhee and Waynisha Lanette Summers; one son, Larry Summers, Jr.; two mothers and fathers - Sallie Snell and Morgan King of South Bay and Morris Gibbons and Mongelny Gibbons of Clewiston; eight brothers - Ernest Williams, Jr. of South Bay, Ronnie Lee Williams and Donnie Lee Williams both of Greenwood, Fl., Al Edwards of Miami, Juan King of Orlando, Robin Rabin of Clewiston, Bernard Willingham of Lake Harbor, and Alfred Clark of South Bay; seven sisters - Currian Denise Brette Washington King of South Bay, Mae E. Edwards of Orlando, Thyna King of Boston, Tangle Edwards and Willie Mae Arnold both of South Bay, Mint Clark of Dallas and Ann Edwards of Miami; two sisters-in-law - Charlotte Williams and Tammy Williams; two great aunts - Louise Hart of South Bay and Pearl Brown of Marianna, Fl.

one great uncle, Dennis Glover of Clearwater; one special aunt - Nettie Mae Lucas; special uncle, Wilbert Lucas; friend, Bessie Mae Thomas; God-aunt, Susie Onwika; God-uncle, Bright Onwika; special friend, Monique Jackson; mother and father-in-law - Johnny and Martha Summers; friends - Catherine Summers, Tehal Summers and Genewenia Summers; three aunts; eight uncles; special friends - Rev. Eva Harris and Mr. Harris; a special sister, Tyrall, Shs, Wright; and many other nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996 at 2 p.m. in the Mount Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church, Belle Glade, with Rev. Kenneth Anderson officiating and Rev. Isaac S. Jones, Pastor.

Miller Mortuary was in charge of the arrangements.

### Tillman

Mary Lou Tillman, 71, of Montura Ranch Estates near Clewiston, Fl., died on Jan. 1, 1996 at 2:10 a.m. in Hendry General Hospital, Clewiston.

Mrs. Tillman, known as 'Mo' to her friends and family, was born on March 17, 1924 in Westville, Florida to Thelma and Charles Bradley. She was a medical nurse for much of her adult life.

Surviving are husband, John William Tillman, of Clewiston; one daughter, Mitzi Givens of Clewiston; brother, Ted Bradley of Stockbridge, Ga.; four grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Memorial service date and time will be announced later. Arrangements for cremation were made by the Akin-Devitt Funeral Home, 438 E. Sugarland Hwy., Clewiston.



Michelle & Gene Fullwood

## Reaffirmation of wedding vows, Feb. 3

honoring 10 year anniversary

Michelle and Gene Fullwood will reaffirm their wedding vows Feb. 3, 1996 at the First Baptist Church of Belle Glade, 17 N.W. Avenue B,

(small church) at 7 p.m. Reception will immediately follow at the Belle Glade Civic Center, 725 N.W. 4th Street. All family and friends are welcome to attend!

## Community United Methodist Church plans revival, Jan. 29-Feb. 2

A revival is planned to begin Monday, Jan. 29, and will run through Friday, Feb. 2.

Rev. Abe Brown will be the Evangelist. His messages are very relevant for our time.

Everyone is invited and the service will be held each evening at 7 p.m.

Services will be held at Community United Methodist

Church, 401 S.W. 1st Street, Belle Glade.

The United Methodist Women meet every second Monday of the month and invite others to join them for a time of worship, special programs and refreshments at 7:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the church at 996-5568.

## Robert Jefferson selected Outstanding School Volunteer at Glade View Elementary

Mr. Robert Jefferson has been selected to receive the Outstanding School Volunteer Award at Glade View Elementary. He has been volunteering at the school for the past year and a half.

During the day Mr. Jefferson is employed as a welder. At the end of his regular work day, this father of four and grandfather of one spends many evenings volunteering at Glade View Elementary.

When his wife, Dolly Jefferson, began working as the night custodian last year, he joined her each evening as she made the rounds of the large campus. One would have expected him

to relax with the newspaper or watch TV as she worked at her job, since he had already worked a full day. But that is not what he did. He swept and mopped floors, dusted and moved furniture, emptied and washed out garbage cans, and cleaned the bathrooms! He fixed things that needed fixing and did whatever needed to be done to keep the school clean, safe, and attractive.

Even though the regular custodial staff work hard each day, there is never enough time in their day to do all the things that need to be done on the campus.

Glade View Elementary is a better place because of the volunteer hours that Mr. Jefferson has given, and continues to give to the school.

Unlike most school volunteers,

Mr. Jefferson never sees a smiling face of a child or hears a thank you from a teacher for the work that he does. Yet he continues to return night after night to an almost empty campus and

volunteer his time and talents.

Glade View Elementary is proud to present the Outstanding School Volunteer Award to Mr. Robert Jefferson.

## Search for Second Marine Division Marines

The Second Marine Division Association is looking for a lot of good men and women to become active members of this viable organization. All current and former Marines who are now or ever were assigned to the Second Marine Division, plus any units or individuals of any service that were at any time attached to the Division, are eligible to join the Association.

All members receive an active membership directory,

bimonthly issues of the official publication **FOLLOW ME** and the Association decal.

There are a number of State and Regional Chapters that hold periodic meetings and conduct various local activities. The Association's annual reunion rotates around the country. The 1996 site is Spokane, Washington, at a date to be announced.

We are especially appealing to the Marines and former Marines who added stirring

chapters to the history of the Corps and the Division during the peace time years of the 70's, 80's, and 90's. If you were a part of these historic events you should be a part of keeping their legacy alive.

We proudly support our philanthropy, the Memorial Scholarship Fund, that offers opportunities to deserving depen-

dents of former Second Division Marines to obtain financial assistance in pursuing a college education.

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### WORSHIP CENTER/ PENTECOSTAL VOLUMINE CHURCH

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer-Ministry 7:00 p.m.

### CANAL POINT

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
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Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer-Ministry 7:00 p.m.

### CANAL POINT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer-Ministry 7:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer-Ministry 7:00 p.m.

### CHURCH OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 a.m.  
Prayer-Ministry 7:00 p.m.

### COMMUNITY HOUSE OF PRAYER IN CHRIST

1000 N.W. Ave. C  
Rev. James Ingram - Pastor  
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.  
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### HOUSE OF GOD

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### BIBLE CHURCH OF GOD

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Donations, donations!... Pictured above are Homer Davis and Tony Koger from United States Sugar Corporation and Scot Kannel, executive director of Glades ARC, as they unload hundreds of boxes of donated items from U.S. Sugar.

## U.S. sugar helps community through United Way of Palm Beach County

Christmas came early this year for more than 30 United Way agencies throughout Palm Beach County thanks to the generosity of U.S. Sugar Corporation.

Jeans, work shirts, nail clippers, tote bags, belts, hats and jackets were only a few of the thousands of items donated by U.S. Sugar from company commissaries that were closed last year. Robert Coker, vice president of community and governmental affairs for U.S. Sugar, wanted to make sure the items were distributed to all of Palm Beach County, so he called upon United Way for help. The items were distributed on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 14 & 15.

"We want everyone to know that U.S. Sugar is part of the community," said Coker, "and working with United Way is the best way to get involved." "We knew these items would get to those people who really need them."

For its part, United Way of Palm Beach County informed all of its member agencies of the donation. Agencies were asked to turn in a request form for the items they wanted. Several experienced and informed allocated volunteers reviewed the requests and made decisions based on what met the agencies' needs. Agencies were informed of the

items they would be receiving, and were given a time to pick up the items. Any items that were not picked up, were re-distributed to other agencies.

"On behalf of all our agencies and their clients, we greatly appreciate U.S. Sugar's donation," said Scott Badesch, executive director of United Way of Palm Beach County.

United Way of Palm Beach County is a local, autonomous organization governed by a 50-member volunteer board of directors from our community. The mission of United Way is to address existing and emerging health and human service needs in Palm Beach County through a volunteer, community-driven effort using all available resources. For more information please call 375-6600 (central office) or 930-8929 (toll-free).

**Agencies that received donations:**

Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches, Inc.; Alzheimer's Association-Greater Palm Beach County Chapter; American Red Cross, Palm Beach County Chapter; Association for Retarded Citizens of Palm Beach County, Inc.; Aid to Victims of Domestic Assault, Inc. (AVDA); Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Palm Beach County; Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County; Comprehensive

AIDS Program (CAP); Comprehensive Alcoholism Rehabilitation Programs, Inc. (CARP); Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach County; Center for Family Services, Inc. of Palm Beach County; The Center for Information and Crisis Services, Inc.; Children's Home Society of South Coastal Florida; The Children's Place and Connor's Nursery; Cities in Schools of Palm Beach County, Inc.; Community Child Care Center of Delray Beach, Inc.; Epilepsy Services of the Palm Beaches, Inc.; Florence Fuller Child Development Center, Inc.; Girl Scouts, Palm Glades Council; Glades Area Association for Retarded Citizens; Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County; Hispanic Human Resources Council, Inc.; Hope House of the Palm Beaches, Inc.; Jeff Industries, Inc.; Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc.; Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition; Opportunity, Inc. Day Care; Palm Beach Rehabilitation Center, Inc.; Parent Child Center of the Palm Beaches, Inc.; Seagull Industries for the Disabled, Inc.; Urban League of Palm Beach County, Inc.; Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.; Wee Care, Inc.; YMCA of Boca Raton; YMCA of the Palm Beaches, Inc.; and YWCA of Palm Beach County, Florida, Inc.

## Childbirth can be painless says Dr. Ronald Ackerman

Ronald Ackerman, M.D., F.A.C.O.G., senior partner of Advanced Women's Healthcare, an Obstetrical/Gynecological practice with three convenient locations in Palm Beach County, encourages pregnant women to discuss all birthing options, including the epidural injection, with their obstetricians. According to Dr. Ackerman the epidural is an excellent choice for women who wish to experience natural childbirth but are fearful of the pain normally associated with the birthing process. The epidural injection does not interfere with natural childbirth, however, it does relieve the intense pain women experience during labor.

"Approximately 60% of our patients choose painless childbirth, since the procedure poses minimal, if any risk," noted Dr. Ackerman. "And the patient still has full motor ability and can even walk around during labor."

According to Gloria Rodriguez, Nurse Manager of Four New Life Center at Palm West Hospital, "The epidural procedure clearly enables women to have a choice of having painless childbirth and in some circumstances enhance the delivery experience."

Advanced Women's Healthcare is a comprehensive medical practice specializing in the treatment of Obstetric and Gynecologic women's health issues. Four physicians and two certified nurse practitioners are available six days a week in three office locations in West Palm Beach,

Wellington and Atlantis. A fourth Boynton Beach location will open shortly.

Doctors Ronald T. Ackerman, M.D., Seth Jordan Herbst, M.D. and Steven Pliskow, M.D. were recently joined in the practice by Keith Aqua, M.D. Doctors Ackerman, Herbst and Pliskow are Fellows of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Also active in the practice are Kimberly S. Payne, R.N.C., A.R.N.P. and Jacqueline Fox, R.N.C., A.R.N.P.

For further information about Advanced Women's Healthcare, call 683-1331 in West Palm Beach, 793-7113 in Wellington or 964-6442 in Atlantis. A fourth office in Boynton Beach will open in late January, 1996.



Time of joy!... Obstetrician, Dr. Ronald Ackerman and patient, pediatrician Dr. Ana Napoles Ruiz and her husband, Rick Ruiz, following the birth of Alec Ricardo

## Foley: Attack ads are wrong; Jeopardize progress on Legislation

Congressman says Environmental group is not interested in constructive dialogue

Rep. Mark Foley today labeled new attack ads being run by The Committee to Ensure Florida's Economic and Environmental Future "completely inaccurate." The television ads, which began airing on West Palm Beach television stations on Thursday, Dec. 21, are being financed by New York City millionaire investor Paul Tudor Jones.

"These attack ads, which are being run in the middle of the holiday season, are so false, so distasteful and so ridiculous, I can't believe that our local television stations would run them," said Foley.

The ads, which claim that Foley actually said "Let the taxpayers pay" for Everglades cleanup is especially inaccurate. In fact, Foley has never said that taxpayers should be responsible for such cleanup efforts.

"One of the most important reasons for my opposition to the 2-cent tax on Florida grown sugar, is precisely because I do not want to impose an additional tax on a product that will be paid for by the consumer," said Foley. "I've been working on legislation to lessen the tax burden on working individuals and families—not increase it." While serving in the State Senate, Foley supported an amendment to the Everglades Forever Act, sponsored by Sen. Robert Wexler, that would have limited the amount of money that taxpayers would have to pay for Everglades Cleanup.

Additionally, the ads claim that Foley has accepted "tens of thousands of dollars from big sugar barons." This is also false. While the Con-

gressman has accepted contributions from various sugar farmer and company PACs, it certainly doesn't amount to tens of thousands of dollars. During the 1994 congressional campaign, Foley raised \$630,000 of which less than 2% came from sugar PACs. In fact, opponents of the sugar program, like PepsiCo, Coca-Cola, and the Food Marketing Institute, actually contributed more money than did sugar PACs.

"Apparently, Paul Tudor Jones—and the handful of environmentalists who have benefited from his multimillion dollar fortune—have no interest in engaging in a constructive dialogue."

Instead, they would rather make outrageous accusations and further polarize the two sides on this issue.

Foley pointed out that he, and Senators Connie Mack and Bob Graham are working with House and Senate leaders on a plan that would allow the government to acquire additional lands north of the Everglades that would allow cleaner water to flow south into the environmentally sensitive Everglades area. "We would all be better served, if everyone would stop trying to mislead a public that is disgusted with all of the shouting and screaming that's been occurring over this issue," he added.

## Attack Ad currently being run by Paul Tudor Jones:

**TV announcer:**

"To stop the polluters and save our Everglades, three Florida Congressmen—Democrat and Republican, have introduced a bill to make 'Big Sugar' pay two cents a pound to clean up their mess so taxpayers don't have to. (Shot of dead deer floating in water, followed by Everglades footage. Copy of 2-cent tax bill superimposed over footage, followed by an article announcing the bill's introduction. In reality, taxpayers would have to pay the 2-cent tax, as it would be passed on in the form of higher grocery prices.)"

Mark Foley's on the other side. Foley's taken tens of thousands of dollars in campaign contributions from 'big sugar barons.' (Additional footage of dead deer floating in water followed by photo of Congressman Foley aside while text that reads: "Foley took tens of thousands of dollars from Big Sugar interests" This statement is false.)

And when Foley was asked to make 'Big Sugar' pay its fair share to clean up our Everglades, Foley said, "Let the taxpayers pay instead." (Photo of Op-Ed Piece with headline "It's Time to End Welfare for Big Sugar" written by Jake Kobler of Clean Water Action, an environmental group. Text appears next to Foley's photo that reads "Foley said: Let the Taxpayers Pay Instead." The ad strongly suggests that the "quote" from Foley—which was never said—is taken from the article that appears on the screen. In fact, the article that appears contains so much quote—per does any other article.)

You're a taxpayer. What do you think?" (Same words superimposed over the op-ed piece.)



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# Eleventh Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Contest to be held; submit application by Jan. 19

The City of South Bay in conjunction with private sponsors are sponsoring an Oratorical Contest in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday on Thursday, Jan. 11, 1996. The National celebration is held on Monday, Jan. 15, 1996. The contest will be held on Thursday, Jan. 23, 1996 at Rosenwald Elementary School at 6 p.m.

There are four categories of participation. Each category will be awarded a cash prize.

Please go by the main office and sign up now!  
You must sign up before Jan. 19, 1996.

Rosenwald Elementary and the City of South Bay will hold the Eleventh Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratorical Contest Jan. 23, 1996 at 6 p.m. at the Rosenwald Elementary School, South Bay.

Contestants will be judged by the following grade competitions and topics:

Grades 1-3 will be judged on the topic "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Dream can become reality".

Grades 4-6 will be judged on the topic "Why did Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. feel it was necessary to share his dreams with America?".

Grades 7-8 will be judged on the topic "How can I help others achieve their dreams?".

Grades 9-12 will be judged on the topic "My dreams for the Glades area are?".

Rules for the contest are:

TIME: • Each contestant

should prepare a speech to be three (3) minutes in length.

MEMORIZATION: • Reading of speech will not be allowed, however, competitors may have notes.

Interested applicants must fill out an application to be submitted by Jan. 19, 1996, to one of the following locations:

City Hall  
City of South Bay  
335 S.W. 2nd Avenue  
South Bay, FL 33493

Mamie Washington  
Law Office  
141 South Main Street  
Suite 111  
Belle Glade, FL 33430

Rosenwald Elementary  
Palm Beach Road  
South Bay, FL 33493

Admission is FREE.



South Bay's Mayor, Clarence Anthony, joined the Martin Luther King Day celebration.



Riding in style... These youngsters rode their 4-wheeler in the parade to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Jan. 15.

## Martin Luther King, Jr. 1929 - 1968

Martin Luther King, Jr. had a dream of peace and brotherhood for all mankind. On his birth anniversary, we salute this extraordinary leader for his achievements, vision, and belief in the endurance of the human spirit.

## Celebrate Equality!

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - January 15, 1996



Marching in step... These Glades Central Community High School band members were marching to the beat of their drums in the Martin Luther King Day celebration.



Proud organization... These men marched in the Martin Luther King, Jr. parade to honor Mr. King and to show their organization's dedication to the community.



Enjoying the day... These Lake Shore Middle School students took their day off from school to march in the Martin Luther King celebration.



Enjoying the day... These Glades Central Community High School students took their day off from school to march in the Martin Luther King celebration.



## In honor..

Although his life ended prematurely on April 4, 1968, the ideals that Dr. King believed in, lives in all of us who share his dream of a better world.

In the spirit of peace, brotherhood and racial harmony, we remember this great American who touched the lives of so many people, everywhere.



Belle Glade's Vice-Mayor, Daniel Bythwood, joined the celebration to honor Martin Luther King, Jr.



Waiting for the parade... These Belle Glade residents came out to watch the parade held Jan. 15 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.



# Glades Central Community High School celebrates "Cultural Melting Pot"; held school dedication Jan. 11

By Biffie Chapman  
Staff Writer

Glades Central Community High School invited many to the "Cultural Melting Pot of the Glades," in celebration of the dedication for the long-awaited new high school. The event was held at 2 p.m., Jan. 11.

The auditorium was filled with members of the business community, students, parents, faculty, members of the school board, administration and many of the people behind the construction of this state-of-the-art facility.

Presiding over the program was teacher Desmond Mahon who introduced an impressive Pledge of Colors by the Criminal Justice Academy Color Guard who led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance. Following the Pledge was the Glades Central High School Band, under the direction of Eric Lawson, who gave the crowd an outstanding performance.

"Glades Central Community High School is a multi-racial, multi-ethnic, multi-cultural school," were some of the opening remarks of teacher, Desmond Mahon in his opening statements of the dedication and to prove just that, three senior honor students gave student body welcomes in three different languages.

Kizzy Frazier gave an introduction in English, Ella Youte gave an introduction in Creole, and Zandra Rios gave an introduction in Spanish.

"Welcome to the dedication of the new Glades Central Community High School; a school of cultural diversity, a school with the insight to accept cultural individual differences as we learn from each other," said Kizzy Frazier in part of her opening welcome.

South Bay Commissioner and part of the School Advisory Council, Basil Anderson, extended greetings on behalf of the School Advisory Council by saying, "The School Advisory Council is committed as we go forward in a pursuit for excellence. We ask for your complete support, because working together will ensure that we'll be the best school in Palm Beach County."

Palm Beach County School Board's Chairperson, Sandra Richmond, recognized fellow board members who were in

attendance - Paulette Burdick, Bob Hayes, and Jody Gleason. School Board members unable to attend were Vice Chairman William G. Graham, Gail Bjork, and Diane K. Heinz.

"I want you to know and I want you to be assured that these people and the rest of our people really do care about what happens out here (meaning in the Glades) and we are dedicated and committed to see that the children of Belle Glade receive the highest education this station has to offer," said Mrs. Richmond.

"We already have in place the staff, through Mrs. Grear,

schools as we speak (meaning the new Belle Glade Elementary, Pioneer Park Elementary and Glades Central Community High School) and I think that is proof of the commitment from the School Board," said Mrs. Jones. "Students are what makes this school and we are so glad they are part of the dedication ceremony. We look forward to hearing more of you," Mrs. Jones added.

During the speech by Superintendent Jones, she pointed out a story... "Our parents, I know that Mr. Anderson (South Bay Commissioner, Basil Anderson) has been a real

young people," said Mr. Mahon. "Glades Central Community High School opens our arms to all God's children, regardless of race, religion, or reputation national origins. For those young people sitting here this afternoon, the education is in this high school, you must just reach out and get it," added Mr. Mahon.

Following Mr. Mahon's speech, 22 students constructed 22 flags, showing off various countries in a Parade of Flags made to show the cultural diversity of Glades Central Community High School. The G.C.C.H.S. Chorus then

to us in history, he would say. "Don't ask what your country can do for you, but rather ask what you can do for your country," Shulman said.

"How proud I am as a superintendent, to have played even a small part with all of you, and with the board, and with our staff to bring this day to provision because you know what it means; It means you give us hope and heart and aspirations to the lives of so many who for the next 50 years, hopefully, will simply use it to give words of wisdom and be motivated to go on," added Mr. Shulman.

"I thank you. I thank you for

President of Morganti Construction Company; Larry Zabik, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services for Palm Beach County Schools; Ed Trapp, On-site project manager; Ivan Roedel, On-site project manager; and Ray Sellers, One-site manager.

Mrs. Grear also awarded special presentations to the following: Area 4 Superintendent, Eugenia Jones; Project Manager Gregory West; School project coordinator Elmer (Flip) Peavler; Basil Anderson of the School Advisory Council; and Bernard Shulman, Superintendent of Palm Beach County Schools.

Mrs. Grear gave recognition to her teachers and staff by saying, "They came out here on Saturdays and Sundays, loading and unloading buses to try to find out where to put things and we couldn't have done it without them. I am very grateful to be a part of a staff that is as cooperative as the staff here at Glades Central."

Glades Central didn't have an Assistant Principal but Mrs. Grear asked if she could use Mr. Flip Peavler. "He has done an excellent, superior job in taking care of all the little things that need to be done and I think that he has learned a whole lot in the time that he has been with us," said Mrs. Grear.

Flip Peavler, who is the football coach, said "My his students used to ask, 'Coach, how come we don't have this or why do they have that', but now we come home (to Glades Central) and we want to know why they don't have something like this. It is really an honor and I will never forget the first day we had registration. The community was here and the students were here and Dr. Grear was flying around, and everybody was so proud of this place, and they should be. I would just like to thank Dr. Grear for giving me the opportunity to be a part of it."

In the closing of the ceremony, Principal Grear gave another thanks to all of the people who were in attendance at this long-awaited dedication of the new Glades Central Community High School. Then Mrs. Grear led the audience in the singing of the school song.

The program part of the ceremony was over but guests were led to the cafeteria where refreshments were served and a tour of the school was given by members of the student body.

"A special note of appreciation is extended to each and every individual who helped make the construction of the new Glades Central Community High School possible. It is a beautiful 'state-of-the-art' facility that the Glades residents can be proud of," said Dr. Grear.



An end for some, a new beginning for others... Pictured above from left to right are teacher Desmond Mahon, Palm Beach County School Board member Jody Gleason, Principal Dr. Effie Grear, Palm Beach County School Board Chairperson Sandra Richmond, Palm Beach County School Board member Paulette Burdick, Area 4 Superintendent Eugenia Jones, Palm Beach County School District Superintendent Dr. Bernard H. Shulman, and School Advisory Council Chairperson Basil Anderson.

teachers, and the support staff out here, and now we have the facilities. I see we have the marvelous students in the crowd and we look forward to hearing great things from this school," Mrs. Richmond added.

The Area 4 Superintendent, Eugenia Jones, began her speech by thanking all of the people who contributed in putting the new Glades Central Community High School together.

"I would like to begin with someone I know who put many, many hours and fought very hard for this new school and that's Dr. Effie Grear, our principal," said West Area Superintendent Jones.

"We are opening three new

spokesperson for the parents in the Glades Community. He actually one day took me on a walk, I'm telling you I was hot when we got through. He walked me down State Road 80 to prove that we had to have a bus out of Okeechobee Center. I thank you for that Mr. Anderson," Mrs. Jones added.

(Presently, there is a bus running out of Okeechobee Center.) Desmond Mahon, presiding teacher, then reminisced on Glades Central High School's past valedictorians and their accomplishments. He pointed out the reason for these accomplishments was because of Glades Central. "The school is a cultural melting pot that embraces all God's children, all

sang "Love In Any Language".

Dr. Effie Grear then introduced Dr. Bernard H. Shulman, present Superintendent of Palm Beach County Schools, who gave greetings in different languages by saying, "We have such great diversity and that makes a wonderful statement for this place," said Mr. Shulman.

"What a fitting time for dedication, because on Monday, as you know, we are honoring a great American. I don't know if you know but I share with you, in 1961 at Boston University, I sat beside Martin Luther King. The timeliness makes these statements, and the statement is, simply... Open the Gates. Let us help our students open the gates of opportunity of the generation," said Mr. Shulman.

Martin Luther King was assassinated and so was Abraham Lincoln. Abraham Lincoln left us with a legacy, and if I had to summarize it in a very simple sentence with you, I probably would say, It is from us, the living, who have helped build a school, and provided for the school, it is just bricks and board. It is for us, the living, to pass better to these youngsters and children, and if we look at John F. Kennedy who was killed by a bullet as well, and we ask what John F. would say

the opportunity of having served as a superintendent of a great school district, even for a short period of time, and I thank you for your commitment and desires to open those gates, because together as we continue to keep those gates open, our students will walk forth and will provide a better world for the next generations," Mr. Shulman added.

"A grateful superintendent says thank you, and Saturday (Jan. 13, 1996) you will have a new superintendent, but I enjoyed every minute of my time as superintendent and I think that my life has been enriched by all of you," concluded Mr. Shulman.

Principal, Dr. Effie Grear, then acknowledged guests and gave presentations to the many people who were instrumental in the background of building the new school.

Mrs. Grear awarded them with plaques, pens and also awarded Dr. Bernard H. Shulman with a Glades Central Community High School jacket, saying that he had asked for a t-shirt but she didn't have one.

Others that Mrs. Grear gave acknowledgment to were: Susan Storms, Educational Planning Department; Richard Logan, President of M.P.A. Architects; Joseph Dobson,

## Pioneer Park dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony held Jan. 11

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The guests were invited to the front entrance of the school, which opened its doors to students Aug. 23, 1995, where a ribbon-cutting ritual was performed before being escorted into the new Pioneer Park.

Upon entering the school, students lined both sides of the hall with smiling faces, making a walkway for the many guests entering the school.

"Look at how well-behaved the children are," were the comments from several guests, and "The school looks fantastic," one city official said.

The school was covered with balloons, and student's classroom work was pasted throughout the halls and on the many bulletin boards of the school.

The dedication ceremony began with a welcome from Mrs. Geraldine Russell, third grade teacher; a Pledge of Allegiance; a poem from Mrs. Rutledge's 5th grade class titled "Unity"; a song titled "Lift Every Voice" by Mrs. Rutledge, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Hansen, and Mrs. Walker's 5th grade classes; introductions were given by Principal Anne Turner; student essays entitled "What Pioneer Park Means to Me" were given by essay contest winners: Fifth grade - Angerita Huyler, Emmatid Sergile, Leytola

O'Neil; Fourth grade - Diondra Ishmael and Frances Flores; and Third grade - Zacan Thomas and Katonia Robinson.

Poems were read - "A New Beginning" by parent, Ms. Mary Morgan; "I Am a Teacher" by Mrs. Geraldine Russell; and "Oak Tree" by Mrs. Rutledge's 5th grade class.

Upon closing the ceremony, presentations were made, the

school song was recognized, and a poem entitled "Unity" was read by everyone.

On behalf of the administration of Pioneer Park Elementary, Principal Anne Turner and Parent Advocate, Edna Stephens said they would like to thank students, parents, staff, and the community for a wonderful new beginning.

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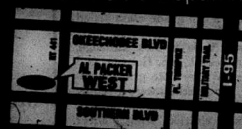
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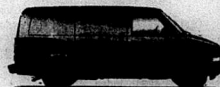


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